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TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN CRISIS.

ADRIANOPLE BOMBARDED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 5.

The bombardment of Adrianople lasted for four hours on Monday evening and was suspended for five hours during the night, being resumed at four o'clock in the morning.

The Turks replied vigorously, but, according to reports from Sofia, the Bulgarians steadily advanced.

Varying Views.

The impression in Sofia is that the war will last altogether about ten days, but Constantinople believes there are surprises in store for the Allies.

As the result of the new blood at the head of the Turkish affairs, and fresh troops, mostly Asiatic mountaineers, the Turks are confident that Adrianople will hold out for several weeks.

Servian Gallantry.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade states that private reports have been received of fighting at Adrianople in which the Servian Seventh and Fourth Regiments distinguished themselves.

Prayers for Turkey.

From Constantinople it is reported that the Sheikh-ul-Islam has instructed the faithful to indulge in daily prayers at all the mosques, for the success of the Ottoman arms.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople reports that Shekhet Pasha has gone to Chatalja.

Effective Bombardment.

The Commander at Adrianople at five o'clock on Wednesday afternoon sent the following wireless message:—"Enemy bombarding us; 138 common shells and eleven shrapnel shells have fallen into the town, eight persons have been killed and ten injured. There are fifty-three houses aflame and the bombardment continues."

Reuter's correspondent at Sofia reports that Adrianople was under bombardment on all sides on Wednesday. There was no fighting at Chatalja.

Turks Retire.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople wires the following official report:—"The enemy, who are partly concentrated on Gallipoli, sent a regiment on the 4th inst. to Kavak after an all-day fight. We retired in accordance with previous arrangements, the enemy being unable to pursue. Another force of the enemy occupied Myrionito on the coast of Marmora. The warship Zofa inflicted serious losses on the enemy advancing towards Chatalja."

Reuter's correspondent at Sofia states that General Savoff in an order to the army states that the Turks were mistaken in thinking to gain time by protracting negotiations, as it enabled the Bulgarians to concentrate the forces which were now readier than ever. He is prepared to dictate terms on the battlefield and drive the Turks beyond the seas.

Allies Consulting.

M. Venizelos, the Premier of Greece, has had long conferences with the Servian Ministers and has proceeded at Sofia, where he conferred with the Premier and was granted an audience by King Ferdinand.

Significant Incident.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade reports that Dr. Danell, the Chief Bulgarian delegate passes through towards Sofia without stopping. This has aroused a disagreeable impression.

The Turkish Delegates. Rehid Pasha has been instructed to remain in London a few days. The other Turkish delegates are departing.

TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN CRISIS.

TURKS DEFEATED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 5.

Reuter's Sofia correspondent wires that the Turks at Gallipoli were defeated and have retreated in great disorder to the south of the Kavak River. They were pursued by the Bulgarians who now possess nearly all the coast on the Sea of Marmora as far as Boulair.

Italian Cruisers.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent says an Italian cruiser Pisa and San Marco to pass through the Dardanelles.

H.M.S. NEW ZEALAND. INSPECTED BY THE KING.

London, February 6.

His Majesty the King has inspected the battle cruiser New Zealand at Portsmouth.

His Majesty was accompanied by Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. Harcourt, and the New Zealand High Commissioner. The party was welcomed by Prince Louis of Battenberg, Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux and other distinguished personages.

Royal salutes were fired and fine weather prevailed.

The King made a general tour of the ship and was especially interested in the working of the 13.5 inch guns and the new gyroscope compass, this being the first vessel to be fitted with the improvement.

His Majesty made a most thorough inspection of the interior, including the engine-rooms, and was much amused at the midshipmen's quarters being decorated with the "suffragette" colours.

His Majesty Gratified.

His Majesty informed the captain of his gratification at the excellent appearance of the cruiser and expressed the hope that they would have an interesting and an enjoyable tour. His Majesty was so absorbed inspecting the vessel that he was late for lunch.

In the afternoon the Royal party visited the newest submarine, fitted with wireless telegraphic installation and a disappearing gun, and then toured the dockyard.

Later.

The New Zealand has left on her cruise.

DISESTABLISHMENT. PROGRESS OF BILL.

London, February 5.

The Report Stage on the Welsh Disestablishment Bill has been concluded in the House of Commons, the Government having large majorities on Tuesday evening. The third reading of the Bill is to be taken to-day.

Bill Passed by Commons.

Later. The Right Hon. Mr. Lytton's amendment for the rejection of the Welsh Disestablishment Bill was defeated by 347 votes to 240 in the House of Commons. The Bill was read a third time and sent to the House of Lords, where it was formally read for the first time.

"Land of My Fathers." After the division in the House of Commons, the Welsh members assembled in the Lobby and sang "Land of My Fathers."

PARLIAMENT.

THE NEXT SESSION.

London, February 6.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Lloyd George announced that the House will adjourn on the 14th inst. and be prorogued on March 7th, the new Session to begin on March 10th.

TELEGRAMS.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

CONFLICTING EVIDENCE.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 6.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Acland, in reply to Sir J. D. Rees, said that information regarding this season's opium cultivation in China was conflicting and that further inquiries were being made through the Consular officers, with the co-operation of the local officials. The effect of the suspension of the Indo-Chinese export trade on the finances in India was engaging the attention of the Government of India. "I understand," said Mr. Acland, "that no statement is at present possible."

Dealing with the question of whether the time as come to reconsider the arrangements of 1911, he said that His Majesty's Government was of the opinion that the question was premature. The Government still hoped that the Chinese Government would be able to carry out the Agreement. They were carrying it out in regard to certain provinces.

GERMAN NAVY.

THE NEW ESTIMATES.

London, February 6.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent says the Budget Committee of the Reichstag has announced that the naval estimates amounted to £23,370,000.

It is reported that the Committee described as incorrect Mr. Churchill's comparison of the strength of the British and German Fleets last June because he added the German ships just laid down to the ships completed.

In the course of the discussion, the Secretary of the Navy explained that no grants would be asked beyond those provided for by the Navy Law. He dwelt on the latter's defensive principle.

TROUBLE IN LIBERIA. SCARED OF GERMANY.

London, Feb. 6.

The arrival of the German gunboats Panther and Eber and the cruiser Bremen towards Christmas Day caused much excitement at Liberia, owing to rumours that Germany intended to annex the Republic.

Subsequently there was considerable friction through Germany demanding the dismissal of a Liberian officer for assaulting a German petty officer whilst ashore.

Eventually the affair was amicably settled.

Afterwards a Liberian force, led by an American officer, crushingly defeated the natives whose behaviour caused the despatch of the German warships.

SUFFRAGISTS' TREATMENT.

A SENSATIONAL PROTEST.

London, February 6.

While the House of Commons was discussing the Lords' amendments to the Scottish Temperance Bill, a man in the Strangers' Gallery shouted out protesting against the treatment of suffragists in prison.

He was immediately ejected, voiciferously. A second interrupter was similarly ejected a few minutes after.

TRADES UNION BILL.

London, February 6.

The House of Lords has read the Trades Union Bill a second time.

TELEGRAMS.

SEXTUPLE LOAN.

SENSATIONAL INCIDENT.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 5.

Reuter's Peking correspondent says that when the Loan Agreement between the Six Power Group and the Chinese Government was on the point of being signed at Peking on Tuesday, the French Minister unexpectedly objected to sign unless a Frenchman was appointed one of the advisers.

This action, which is aimed specially at the appointment of a German in the Audit Department, created great consternation among Government officials and bankers.

CHINESE UNREST.

TROOPS GIVING TROUBLE.

London, February 5.

Reuter's Peking correspondent says that outbreaks on the part of the unpaid soldiery are feared.

Forty began looting at Peking on Monday, but the majority were promptly arrested and executed.

A wire from Reuter's correspondent at Foochow states that a bomb was thrown at the new Civil Governor Chang by counter-revolutionists. Thirty were killed and wounded, but the Governor escaped.

[The news contained in the latter message appeared in Wednesday's "Telegraph" from an exclusive source.]

ATLANTIC ICEBERGS. A WISE PROPOSAL.

London, February 5.

It is stated that the Government is negotiating with Atlantic shipping companies for the dispatch of a vessel equipped with the most powerful wireless telegraph installation in order to locate and report the position of icebergs in the Atlantic Ocean.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE. ANOTHER "LIFE."

London, February 5.

Another commendable life of Mr. Lloyd George has been published.

The author, Mr. A. O. Edwards, Liberal M.P. for Glamorgan East, portrays the Chancellor of the Exchequer as the hero in a great movement of national revival.

OBITUARY.

MR. BRADLEY MARTIN.

London, February 6.

The death is reported of the American millionaire, Mr. Bradley Martin.

[The late Mr. Martin Bradley was one of America's leading capitalists. He was born at Albany in 1841 and after a successful career at Union University he was admitted to the Bar. He served a short time in the Civil War as a First Lieutenant in the 33rd Regiment N.G.S.N.Y. and was A.D.C. on the staff of Governor Fenton from 1885 to 1888. He was formerly a keen sportsman and for some years past has lived in London.]

AUSTRIA AND RUSSIA.

London, February 5.

The Czar has received Prince Hohenlohe, who conveyed to His Majesty an autograph letter from the Emperor of Austria.

SUFFRAGETTE OUTRAGE. POSTAL SORTERS BURNED.

London, February 6.

Four sorters were seriously burned at Dundee by letters addressed to Mr. Asquith bursting into flame.

TELEGRAMS.

MARCONI CONTRACT.

RELEASE REFUSED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 6.

The Secretary of the Post Office has written to the Marconi Company stating that the delay in proceeding with the Imperial wireless scheme is regrettable but it is due to the contract stipulating for the approval of the House of Commons. Hence it is impossible to release the Company from their obligations.

[A message received on January 20th stated:—"At the Committee of Inquiry into the Marconi contract for the Imperial Wireless Stations, a letter was read from the Marconi Company to the Postmaster General stating that the Company had accumulated material and a staff who may for months be idle, and asking to be released from their contract, owing to the great expense entailed by the prolonged delay and the prospect of a further delay owing to the appointment of a technical committee. The letter stated that the Company would be prepared, when the investigations were concluded, to devote its whole energy and experience to the construction of the Imperial stations upon terms to be agreed upon."]

BUSH FIRES.

MUCH DAMAGE IN AUSTRALIA

London, February 5.

Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne reports that bush fires have occurred in Victoria and caused great damage.

The country is ablaze for miles, and numerous houses and much live stock and fodder have been destroyed.

The hills present a brilliant spectacle by night, resembling illuminated cities.

Splendid rain is falling in Melbourne.

Checked by Rains.

Later. Reuter's Melbourne correspondent states that timely rains have checked the bush fires in Victoria.

ORDNANCE BOARD.

THE NEW PRESIDENT.

London, February 5.

Major General Sir Charles Hadden has been appointed President of the Ordnance Board.

[General Hadden has been Master General of the Ordnance and Member of the Army Council since 1907, prior to which he was Director of Artillery, Headquarters, from 1904 to 1907. He has held various other posts.]

"MELTED THEM DOWN"

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz, in the Summary Court, this morning, the case was mentioned in which Chan Yiu Sang sued Cheung Shui Chun to secure the return of goods which it was said were valued at \$900.

Mr. Jackson of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Davidson of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Davidson said he wanted particulars as to the value of each article.

Mr. Jackson:—"My friend's client is a dentist and he has, I believe, melted them down."

Alarms of Fire.

Two alarms of fire were reported to the police during the holidays but neither was of any consequence. One was on Wednesday night and one last night in Caine Road. Very little damage was done and, in the last case, the efforts of the brigade were not necessary.

TELEGRAMS.

RAILWAY MISHAP.

PRINCE EITEL'S ESCAPE.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, February 6.

Reuter's correspondent at Budapest states that the express train in which the Kaiser's son Prince Eitel was returning from Roumania collided with a goods train.

Two passenger were killed and several injured. The Prince and his suite were most active in rescue work.

CONSCRIPTION.

THE KAISER'S EULOGY.

London, February 6.

The Kaiser and the German Crown Prince are attending the celebrations at Koenigsberg of the centenary of the War of Liberation.

The Kaiser, in a speech, eulogised Conscription as the foundation of the prosperity of the Empire and said that if an extension thereof was now necessary, he did not doubt that the people would cheerfully respond and follow the example of their forefathers.

MALAY DREADNOUGHT.

CONTRACT PLACED.

London, February 6.

Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth and Company have been given the contract for the Malay States dreadnought, which will be built at the firm's new Walker yard, near Newcastle-on-Tyne. The vessel will represent the maximum fighting power.

FOOD TAXES.

REDUCTION IMPROBABLE.

London, February 6.

It is understood that Mr. Lloyd George has informed the Liberal memorialists that it is impossible in the coming Budget to reduce the taxes on tea, sugar, and cocoa.

MR. BRYCE.

APPOINTED TO THE HAGUE.

London, February 6.

Mr. Bryce, British Ambassador to America, has been appointed a member of the Hague Arbitration Court.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

The Sheikh-ul-Islam has instructed the Faithful to hold daily prayers in all the mosques for the success of Ottoman arms.

As the Sextuple Loan was about to be signed, the French Minister objected unless a Frenchman was appointed one of the advisers.

The House of Lords has passed the second reading of the Trades Union Bill and the first reading of the Welsh Disestablishment Bill.

Owing to rumours that Germany would annex Liberia, the arrival of German gunboats and a cruiser there caused much excitement.

An express train in which Prince Eitel, son of the Kaiser, was travelling collided with a goods train. There were several casualties but the Prince escaped.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

Mr. Bradley Martin, the American millionaire, is dead.

The German naval estimates amount to £23,370,000.

Much damage has been caused by bush fires in Victoria, Australia.

Mr. Acland has made an important pronouncement on the opium question.

A telegram gives the effect of the bombardment of Adrianople by the Allies.

The Bulgarians now possess nearly all the coast on the Sea of Marmora as far as Boulair.

The House of Commons will adjourn on the 14th and the new session begin on March 10.

The Turks are reported to have been badly defeated at Gallipoli, the Bulgarians pursuing them.

The contract for the Malay States Dreadnought has been secured by Messrs. Armstrong.

Mr. Bryce, British Ambassador to America, has been appointed a member of the Hague Arbitration Court.

The Kaiser has delivered a speech eulogising conscription as the foundation of the prosperity of the Empire.

Four sorters have been seriously burned at Dundee by letters addressed to Mr. Asquith bursting into flame.

Two men who shouted protests in the House of Commons against the treatment of suffragists in prison were ejected.

The King inspected H.M.S. New Zealand prior to her departure on a trip which will include a visit to New Zealand.

It is understood that Mr. Lloyd George has intimated that it will be impossible to reduce the taxes on tea, sugar and cocoa.

The Secretary of the Post Office notifies the Marconi Company that it is impossible to release the Company from its contract.

LOCAL.

The 2nd D.O.L.I. turned out for a practice parade this morning.

Chinese New Year was celebrated very quietly in Hongkong yesterday.

The annual meeting of the C.E.M.S. military branch was held on Wednesday evening.

Two alarms of fire were reported during the holidays, but neither was of any consequence.

The Hongkong Interport Football team was defeated yesterday by Shanghai, the score was Shanghai 2 and Hongkong 1.

In to-day's issue a special article appears descriptive of a cinematograph play which was staged and photographed at Kowloon.

Mr. G. Frisland delivered a lecture at the German Club on Wednesday night on Switzerland. Those present included His Excellency and Lady May.

On the 5th inst. the s.s. Linan, on her way to Hongkong, picked up a fisherman who had been clinging to the bottom of a capsized junk since the 21st inst.

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8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. " "	10 min.
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " "	15 min.
11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. " "	15 min.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. " "	10 min.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. " "	10 min.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. " "	10 min.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. " "	10 min.
3.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " "	10 min.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. 3.45 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 15 minutes.	
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8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. every 15 min.	10 min.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " "	10 min.
11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon " "	15 min.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " "	10 min.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " "	15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " "	10 min.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. " "	15 min.
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South China Morning Post.

Legislation for Hodge.

The deplorable condition under which farm labourers and their families live in every part of the country demands improvement, and this cannot be effected while men dispose of their labour for a "mere song," and oftentimes are unable to migrate to the cities because of home-ties. The labourer is worthy of his hire in the agricultural districts of England to-day, and the proposed scale of a pound a week will find most ready acceptance in many a lowly cottage as well as with the sympathetic reformer in the city. It is also proposed under the new measure to obtain power of obtaining cottages and allotments for the labourer. This is a necessary addendum to any scheme of land reform; for the housing of the labourer and his family has been little short of a scandal in many counties. The apportionment of allotments will contribute to his welfare and add materially to his comfort, while the proposed establishment of land courts and the adoption of urban rating reform are features of the scheme. What land taxes are to be imposed have not been announced, but it may be safely assumed that the single tax will not be favoured, for Mr. Asquith, in October last, declared that not one member of the Cabinet supported it. Another rail may be made on the political "head-rocks," and the agricultural labourer's status improved thereby.

Daily Press.

China New Year.

In many parts of the Republic the officials have forbidden the people to celebrate the old style New Year, and in Government circles the event will pass without official recognition, which represents a very violent change when compared with the former regime during which no official business could be transacted for nearly a month, the seals of the various offices being closed for that time. We notice that the Minister of the Interior has been pressing the Peking Chamber of Commerce to induce the firms not to close their places of business during Chinese New Year, and the police have been distributing pamphlets among the small storekeepers urging them to do the same. But official disapproval, unless it extends to the drastic methods adopted for suppressing opium smoking, is not likely to be a bar to the celebration of the present festival, which will be observed by the masses of China with the old-time enthusiasm. In Canton, too, the provincial government attempted to suppress this celebration, but the public resentment was too strong for them, and they have had to give way. The Government of China must have had a considerable sentiment in favour of changing the calendar before they arrived at a decision in this matter, and under the lessening influence of that body of opinion and with due consideration for the inconveniences involved, the Government may expect to see the change on which they set their hearts very generally adopted before many more years have passed.

New J. C. J. L. Boat.

The "Royal Company" de Schelde, of Flushing, are to build a steamer for the Java-China-Japan-Line which will be named Tjikembang.

Sydney Government House. It is now definitely announced in connection with Sydney Government House, which the Governor-General had been obliged to leave, that the building itself will be devoted to the purposes of a museum of applied arts.

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SERVICE MATTERS.

Passed in Cantonese
Lieut. F. B. Hitchcock, R.C.A., has passed the colloquial test in Cantonese at Hongkong.

Captain Goldsmith D.C.L.I.
Captain Harry D. Goldsmith, Cornwall Light Infantry, latterly at the Staff College, has been restored to the regimental establishment, and joins the home battalion.

To relieve the Hermes.
The "Hyacinth," one of the three sister cruisers which have spent most of their time East of Suez, has been selected to relieve the "Hermes," flagship of the Cape Squadron, this month.

D.A.A.G. and Q.M.G. for N. China Command.
Captain O. H. H. Moore, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, has been formally appointed D.A.A.G. and Q.M.G., North China Command, in succession to Major O. P. Higginson King's Shropshire Light Infantry.

Lieut. J. de L. Simonds.
Lieut. J. de L. Simonds, who has served on the staff at Hongkong, has been posted to Portsmouth; whilst Lieut. G. F. O. White, R.G.A., from the Hongkong-Singapore Battalion, has been posted to No. 23 (S) Co., Gosport.

Appointed to Woolwich.
Captain R. W. Bradley, D.S.O., 1st South Wales Borderers, has been selected as officer of cadets at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich. He has had nearly 19 years' service in the Borderers, and was mentioned in dispatches for work as station staff officer and garrison adjutant in the Boer War.—"L. and O. Express."

Captain H. L. Clarke.
Captain Henry J. L. Clarke, who succeeds Rear-Admiral Le Marchant as Captain and Deputy-Superintendent of Devonport Dockyard and King's Harbour-master of the Hamoaze, is well known on the China Station, where he served as Commander of the Aurora during the Boer troubles, in the suppression of which he earned the medal with clasp.

Foreign Navies in 1912.
The "Naval and Military Record" in a review of foreign navies in 1912 writes:—"Japan has made considerable progress since the beginning of 1912. The battleships Kawachi and Settsu, similar in their general features to the German Helgoland, have been passed into service, while the battle-cruiser Kongo has been launched at Barrow, and the Hiei at Yokosuka. There is a good deal of uncertainty as to the characteristics of these ships and of their sister vessels, the Haruma and Kirishima, which were laid down in March at Nagasaki and Kobe respectively. Their displacement is about 27,000 tons, and designed speed 27 knots, and it is believed that they will be armed with eight 14 in. guns, mounted in the same way as the 13-5's of the Kion. In the case of the battleship Fuso (reported 30,000 tons), laid down in March, in dry dock at Kure, the armament is variously given as ten 13-5 in., ten 14 in., and ten 15 in. With regard to the future, the ambitions of Barm Salto have been largely curtailed by financial exigencies. Early in 1912 the Asahi Shimbun reported that he had asked for eight additional battleships and an equal number of battle-cruisers to be completed by 1920. Towards the end of a year a fresh programme of seven battle-ships and six battle-cruisers was put forward; but the latest proposal, the result of a change of Government and financial stress, is to complete three new vessels of the Fuso type by 1918.

Through the Fusing of wires.
The fusing of some electric wires under one of the beams on the first floor at Raffles Hotel, Singapore, last week was made an occasion to call up the Fire Brigade—the first fire call for two months by the way, says the "Free Press."

Cigarettes in Germany.
No fewer than 9,382,000,000 cigarettes were manufactured in Germany in 1911, and the average annual sum spent by smokers on this form of tobacco is estimated at \$15,000,000. It is estimated that some 20,000,000 Germans smoke an average of 920 cigarettes a year.

GENERAL NEWS.

Piano-Playing Record.
The self-imposed task of breaking the world's piano-playing record has just been completed here by Walter P. Brent Lithgow, N.S.W. He was at the instrument for 704 hours, beating the record, it is stated, by 13 minutes. The performer finished comparatively fresh, though his face was worn and his hands were somewhat swollen.

The Dog in Politics.
An Italian paper has been collecting instances where dogs were used to influence politics or express the political feelings of their owners. We are told that in 1894, when bilingual teaching was imposed on Istria, dogs were painted black in sign of mourning; in 1897 a candidate for the Town Councilship of Milan decorated his New Foundland with a scroll inscribed, "Vote for the Socialist." The following year this was "imitated" in London, where numbers of dogs wore man-tails on which was written, "Vote for Chamberlain!" or "Vote for the Socialist." It is also said that in 1902, on the reception of the news that the Boer War was ended, the streets were enlivened by the apparition of dogs wearing the Union Jack and others drunk on whisky. How the nature of the tipple was determined by the Italian observers is not stated.

The Divine Sarah and the Walter.
The following story is from the San Francisco Call:—"The life ambition of Henri, a French waiter at the Congress Hotel, Chicago, was to serve Mme. Sarah Bernhardt. As Henri spoke French fluently, had experience in Paris cafes, and met all requirements, the manager assigned him to serve the famous actress. Overwhelmed with pleasure and gratitude, Henri practised and rehearsed his role a whole day. But Henri got "stage fright." His hands trembled as he pressed the coffee. Some of it spilled on the table cloth. Mme. Bernhardt smiled. The waiter bowed his apologies. She even overlooked the absence of salt and pepper, but when Henri spilled most of the contents of a soup-bowl upon the tea-gown of the actress, she was not pleased. The manager heard of this and discharged the waiter, an American waiter taking his place. Mme. Bernhardt heard of Henri's fate and the waiter was reinstated.

Worked Herself to Death.
The story of a woman who worked herself to death in an effort to keep her husband and children was told at Blackburn at the inquest on Mary Elizabeth Chambers, 35, wife of a cotton operative. The husband is a consumptive, who has not been able to work for four years, and there are four children, the eldest boy, aged thirteen, earning 13s. a week. With the assistance of the lad the wife, by working as a winder at a mill, had kept the family, doing her housework in the evening and nursing her husband. On Saturday night whilst attending to her husband she fell across him on the bed dead. The jury returned a verdict of "Death from natural causes, probably heart failure, brought on by overwork." They presented their fees (to which the coroner added a contribution) to the distressed family.

Safety of St. Paul's.
In a report to the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, Sir Francis Fox, the engineer says he observes very decided signs of disturbance in the masonry. In some of the buttresses of the dome actual movement, he declares, is now going on, and immediate remedial measures are imperative to secure the safety of the Cathedral.

The motor-buses are a serious evil, and as the earth to be removed for the proposed tramway subway will amount to several thousands of tons, it is not impossible, he adds, that the equilibrium of the structure will be seriously affected.

Summing up the points briefly, Sir Francis declares:—"The Cathedral is overloaded; it is actually moving and cracking and now a proposal is brought forward which can in no way contribute to its safety, but may at no distant date bring about serious injury. I am of opinion that this covered way and station should on no account be permitted in such close proximity to the Cathedral."

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FIRST FLOOR No. 4, Lower Mosque Terrace.—Apply ground floor, Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1913. [149]

Misfortunes of War.

One correspondent lost for good three horses, costing \$25 each; another, whose pangs of hunger I allayed with Nestle's milk and a tin of sardines, bewailed the loss of everything he possessed. He had previously lost four horses and waggons and three servants; yesterday he had bought another waggon for \$7; this had been lost the same evening, and with it all his remaining stores. I suspect that some of the "lost" servants had not entirely severed their connection with the missing horses and baggage. At one spot on the road a passer by purchased from a Greek servant for ten shillings a case of fine old brandy, which a young photographic correspondent, whose normal beverage in the Strand was probably beer, had considered it necessary to bring "to the front."—"E. N. Bennett, in "Nineteenth Century."

Fortune from Jam.

Mr. Walter Reginald Blackwell, of Oxhey Place, Watford, Hertfordshire, of the firm of Messrs. Cross and Blackwell, has left estate of the gross value of \$264,779, of which the net personally has been sworn at \$170,910. Mr. Blackwell, who died October 10 last, aged 37, left to his wife \$2,000, his household and personal effects not otherwise bequeathed, his horse, carriages, motor-cars, consumables, stores, and stable and garden effects absolutely. He left to her the use of Oxhey Place and his effects there, and an annuity of \$2,500 during widowhood, which annuity in the event of her re-marriage shall be reduced to \$1,000. Mr. Blackwell also left his wife \$500 a year in respect of each child while such child is a minor. He left his interest in his business premises in Soho-square and properties in the village of Bushey upon trust for his oldest son, whom failing, to his residuary estate, which he left upon trust for all of his children in equal shares, whom failing, to his brothers, Thomas Geoffrey Blackwell and Aubrey Francis Blackwell, in equal shares.

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MODERN HERO-WORSHIP.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has found a biographer who hails him as a hero; one wonders whether Mr. Lloyd George is pleased or whether he asks to be spared from his friends. This valiant little Welsh attorney who set himself, years ago, to become a political leader, who made this his life's work and has succeeded, is a notable modern figure. Men differ from him but admire his courage for its terrier-like quality. He has Celtic fire, Celtic eloquence (with all its absence of restraint) and sincerity. If such a man moves along wrong lines his very fire and sincerity make him more dangerous; and that is why Mr. Lloyd George is a dangerous politician. If he were less sincere he could be taken less seriously. To describe such a man as a hero is to misuse a word which should be employed rarely and with caution. A man may be the leader of a new movement; but if it be a wrong movement, posterity will count him no hero. Put Mr. Lloyd George out of the limelight, and he will soon be forgotten. There is nothing heroic about Lime-housing; the tongue is seldom greater than the sword.

In itself, hero-worship is no mere vanity. A great man—even the name of a great man continued in a son or grandson—his letters, or house, or treasured belongings, can give us a shock, curious emotions, the essence of all that is best in his creations. One remembers how Dickens was affected, in 1851, by the sight of the last clothes Scott wore. "Among them an old white hat, which seemed to be tumbled and bent and broken by the uneasy, purposeless wandering hither and thither of his heavy head. It so embodied Lockhart's pathetic description of him when he tried to write and laid down his head and cried, that it associated itself in my mind with broken power and mental weakness from that hour." From impressions such as these we receive, warm and close-packed, the value of a great man's work; bare walls, a chair, or a table, can raise different boons for different people; but only where a man, whether dead or living, is really a hero who, in earlier times, would have been a divinity.

The spirit of hero-worship to-day seems to be of poor quality. A professional footballer is worshipped by many thousands who would take no notice of a great thinker. We yield to none in paying tribute to the value of healthy sport; but we do not care to see leaders of sport elevated to the positions once reserved for great men. Perhaps this is not wholly the fault of the worshippers. It may be that heroes are no longer fashioned. Original men, who are not to be measured by common standards and who are shaped and produced by Destiny for a great work—these are heroes. Either the mould is laid aside or the clay is inferior; heroes are scarce in these days. But even that fact does not excuse any man from hailing Mr. Lloyd George as one.

Down in Chinatown.

The night before last an interesting and instructive scene was witnessed by a couple of Scots gentlemen in a side street near the Fire Station. In the midst of all the racket and din and jollity of a New Year crowd, a Chinese woman of the lower class suddenly caught hold of a man and shouted for assistance. A European constable came up and a Chinese who spoke English explained that the man had behaved in a very offensive manner towards the woman. The constable promptly grabbed the offender, administered summary justice, and drove him away from the spot.

Chinese Gallantry.

So far, so good; but hear the sequel. While the policeman was pushing the man to the fringe of the crowd, the two European onlookers heard a scream from the woman and, saw, to their amazement, that the bold bystanders had knocked her down and were trampling her. The policeman came back and, between them, the three Britishers got the woman on to her feet and away from the crowd. She had been carrying a glass bowl which had broken and cut her wrist rather badly, and between that and the mauling she had received, was in a pretty bad plight. In Canton and Shanghai just now there is plenty of talk among the Chinese about socialism, progress and the emancipation of women. Never mind about the emancipation business; when are the Chinese going to learn to observe? we will not say chivalry and courtesy, but common decency, towards the weaker sex?

Insanitary Matters.

May we offer two hints to the Sanitary authorities? The first is that there has been in Robinson Road, since Tuesday night, and was still there this morning, a dead cat. The carcass is putrefying now, is fly-covered, an eyesore, and a danger to children who play about the road. Infection is rife enough without having it spread in this fashion. The removal of a dead cat is not such a terribly serious business that it need take over two days to accomplish it. The second matter is that Europeans of the middle class—the backbone of the Colony—who have to pass through Chinese quarters in the mornings on their way down from the upper levels—complain that they have to pass whole heaps of rubbish which have not yet been removed by the Sanitary coolies. This state of matters exists at 8, 8.30, at times as late as 8.45. Surely it should be possible to have this work completed by the breakfast hour. To have to pass evil-smelling rubbish heaps the first thing in the morning, is good neither for the health nor for the temper.

The Wireless Contract.

From a telegram appearing to-day it will be seen that the Government does not see its way to release the Marconi Company from their contract to erect the chain of Imperial Wireless Stations. The request was made by the Company because of the great expense being caused to them by the delay in proceeding with the scheme owing to the protracted inquiry now being made into the circumstances surrounding the conclusion of the agreement. This delay, however, is as much a hardship to the Imperial authorities as it is to the Company, and, however regrettable it may be, it is inevitable since the contract was made with a stipulation that it should be approved by the House of Commons, members of which have refused to give their assent to its terms without the most searching inquiry being made. So far, we are happy to note, most of the ungenerous suggestions made have failed to receive substantiation, especially the allegations of corruption. By refusing to release the Company, however, the Government has taken the only right and proper course. All the same, we wish for the sake of the Imperial interests involved that the lengthy delay could soon be terminated and the scheme got under way.

Dr. Mott's Return.

Dr. John B. Mott, the famous missionary, has returned to the Colony from Canton where he gave a series of successful lectures.

DAY BY DAY.

To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive, and the true success is to labour.

German Mail Delivered.

The German mail from Hongkong of January 8th was delivered in London on the 5th inst.

Rewarded.

At the Police Court, this morning, a man who, it is alleged, was concerned in the armed robbery at Lyemun, was remanded. He was arrested in Yaumati.

Farewell Reception.

On the 12th inst. a farewell reception is to be given in the City Hall by the officers and men of the German gunboat Tsingtau, on the eve of the crew's departure for home.

Seven Cases.

In the list for hearing at the Summary Court, this morning, there were no fewer than seven cases against one defendant, the Kung Cheung-Leung, claiming recovery of sums ranging from \$31.67 to \$125.77.

Stolen Smoking Pipes.

Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, sent a Chinese to gaol for one month with hard labour, and ordered him four hours stocks, for stealing two metal smoking pipes, at West Point.

Y. M. C. A. Tennis.

A meeting of the Tennis Committee in connection with the Y.M.C.A. was held on Wednesday evening and it was decided to proceed with the laying out of the ground lent to the Association by the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross.

Petition Filed.

The case in which the Lai Cheung sued the Hip Yick Co. to recover \$1,000 was mentioned in the Summary Court, this morning, when it was announced that a petition had been filed in bankruptcy against the defendant firm.

Heard in Chambers.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appearing for T. R. Nicol in the Summary Court, in the case brought against a gentleman named McFitzgerald to recover \$13.65, applied to Mr. Justice Gompertz, that the case should be heard in chambers to-morrow. The application was granted.

Armed Robbery.

Two men were arrested some time ago and remanded in connection with an armed robbery at Yaumati which took place on the 27th ult. when \$855 were stolen. Yesterday a third man was arrested in connection with the charge and remanded at the Police Court, this morning. Another man has been arrested on suspicion of connection with the offence.

Y. M. C. A. Picnic.

Yesterday a party of members of the Y.M.C.A. went for a picnic on the mainland and had a most enjoyable time. Leaving Hongkong by train for Fanling they took the side line to Shataukok and shortly before arriving at that station dismounted and walked through Plover Cove and to Taiipo, taking lunch on the way. They arrived at Taiipo at 4.30 p.m. and did the rest of the journey home by train.

Concert.

On Wednesday evening a very enjoyable concert was given at the Seamen's Institute in connection with H.M. Dockyard Recreation Club. There was a good number present and a fine programme was thoroughly appreciated; those contributing were:—Miss Hennessy, Messrs T. Flynn, E. J. Jenkins, G. O. Gregory, R. E. White, W. B. Cawsey, Master T. Martin, Miss Vera Cressie, Mrs. Platt and Mr. E. T. Williams. The accompanists were Eng. L. Smith R.N. Mr. F. Bragg, and Professor Gonzales.

Children's Performance.

A very interesting children's performance has been fixed to take place at the Seamen's Institute on Monday. The programme includes a version of the fairy tale, "Beauty and the Beast" in which the principal role is taken by Miss E. Staishfield and a doll play with a tenet, especially for the occasion. The children have been rehearsed by a number of ladies and gentlemen, including Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Richards and Mr. W. H. L. Warren. Judging from a rehearsal which a "Telegraph" representative was privileged to attend, the performance should certainly be worth seeing.

THE TAMING OF BETTY

A DAY WITH THE CINEMATOGRAPH ARTISTS.

HOW A MOVING PICTURE WAS MADE AT KOWLOON.

[SPECIAL ARTICLE.]

On the 4th inst., we published an interview with Mr. Maurice Costello, the celebrated cinematograph actor who, with other representatives of the Vitaphone Company of America, is staying in Hongkong. On Wednesday, by the courtesy of the producing directors, a member of the "Telegraph" staff was enabled to get some ideas as to how a picture play is performed and photographed. He writes:—

The neighbourhood chosen for the performance was Kowloon, photographs being taken on the terrace at Victoria View, and also in the Hankow and Haiphong Roads. Better weather, from a photographer's point of view, could not have been wished. The play was "The Taming of Betty," and the actors were three men, three ladies, a Chinese girl a little more than a foot high, who saw no humour in the proceedings; her brother, taller and older, very stolid, but with a busy eye to cumshaw; four chair-coolies imported from Hongkong (of whom more anon), a Chinese "boy" who, methinks, was never out for the stage; and, finally, all the rag-tag and bob-tail of Haiphong Road, plus a Baluch soldier who incidentally hit one of the afore-said chair-coolies in the ear.

The story concerned the doings of one Betty, the daughter of a wealthy English widow resident in Hongkong. Betty, a delightful—if somewhat wilful—girl, was half-minded to throw in her lot with a friend who was working as a mission lady in Chinatown. The arrival of a letter from a baronet—a friend of her mother's—stating that he was anxious to bring about a marriage between Betty and his son, quickly decided her to follow up the missionary project, rather than be the subject of matchmaking with a man whom she had never seen. But Betty had a brother, an astute and resourceful young man, who hit on a plan for frightening the girl away from her new mode of life by disguising himself as a Chinese and molesting her in the native quarter. His immediate reward was a hammering from the baronet's son who, chancing to be in the neighbourhood, rushed to the relief of the unknown beauty in distress. By means of a letter, falsely stating that her mother was ill, Betty was persuaded to rush home, where she was confronted with her rescuer whom, as a prospective suitor, she then saw in a much more favourable light; and after that, everything was quite simple.

Method of procedure. In photographing scenes for cinematograph reproduction, no particular order is observed; the seventh may come before the first, and the tenth between the eighth and third; all those having the same background are photographed at one time. For "The Taming of Betty," one intermediate scene, in which the action occurs on the deck of a steamer, has yet to be taken, and then the film is complete, so far as the artistes are concerned. Over the first scene all went well, for the characters were but three: Mrs. W. V. Ranous as the widow and Mr. and Mrs. James Young as the brother and sister. The operator measured off the distance at which the actors were to act or stand, then chalked out a space like the outline of a bay-window, about six feet by one and a half; and, within this, all the principal action must needs take place in order to be within correct focus.

Posing. In this case the actors were just ten feet from the camera. Many photographers give a longer range, but the Vitaphone Company argue, reasonably enough, that it is the faces of the characters, rather than the full figures, which cinematograph spectators want to see. Having donned their make-up and gone through a couple of re-

hearsals of wording and gesture, the three artistes posed for the opening scene. For the accomplished actor in the theatre there is always the bracing stimulus of an appreciative audience (Hongkong, of course, excepted!) but for these artistes there was nothing of the sort; nothing but the dismal click of the machine, punctuated with occasional instructions or reminders as to such and such expression or movement from the directors behind the camera. Posing of this sort obviously demands even greater power of facial expression than does ordinary stage work, for the aid rendered by speech to action is almost entirely wanting when the words cannot be heard. Throughout the whole of this play the amount of convincing expression which the characters contrived to throw into their faces and gestures was nothing short of marvellous.

The Camera.

The taking of the photographs looked simple enough at first glance; you just keep on turning a handle. But, when the first scene was finished, I was allowed to "look see," and then the operator's job did not appear quite so snug. The camera is a box, more than a foot square and about six inches thick. At the back a handle is fixed which will raise or lower the machine to any angle; a second handle at the side will turn it, gun-fashion, on a swivel, and a third, also at the side, does the rest of the work; i.e. keeps the film moving. Inside the camera are a couple of sealed wooden boxes, one above the other, each containing a spool and, as the handle is turned, the film is gradually unwound from the upper spool and rolled up on the lower. The film—a celluloid ribbon about 1½ inches wide—is perforated along both edges; and the perforations run over a series of cogs controlled by a sort of bicycle chain. The camera is the Company's own patent and the lens (which alone cost \$40 Gold) is the Zeiss Tessar, 50 mm. focus. This concern is the fastest in the world, taking sixteen snapshots per second on one foot of film.

The Chinese Children.

The film costs five American cents (2½d) a foot, and "The Taming of Betty" will cover just a thousand feet; i.e. about \$10 worth. A very ingenious accessory to the machine is a kind of hot water jacket. In cold or very dry weather the film is apt to curl, and, to prevent this, a narrow iron tank on the inside of the door is filled with hot water, and so the film is kept slightly moistened and runs smoothly over the rollers.

In the scene that came next, the operator's task was not so easy as during the first. Mrs. Costello, as the mission lady, appeared, bringing with her two Chinese children—samples of converts, presumably. The boy stood up like a statue during the various rehearsals, though, at the end of each, he had to be watched and bribed for fear he should escape. The wee girl didn't like the look of things at all, was too young to savvy the value of cumshaw, and showed a decided tendency to run away and howl. If, in the subsequent picture, Mrs. Costello should appear to be Christianising that imp by main force and restraining her from sin by keeping a tight physical hold of her, she has my sympathy; for I am witness that she exercised the patience of Job over the kiddie.

More trouble came when the gentleman who is temporarily acting as porter-boy to the company was pressed into the service in a later scene. His work was simple enough; he was only required to do house-boy pidgin for a minute; announce a visitor, deliver a letter to his master, and so forth. Yet endless coaching and rehearsing were necessary; and the fellow looked as though he

were going to be hanged, and would insist on representing a politely servile bow by a cross between a military salute and a full "kow-tow." All things have an end, however; and, in due time, the picture was obtained—somehow.

Bewildered Onlookers.

After chow, events moved briskly. To the gaping astonishment of a knot of Chinese idlers outside the gate, Mr. Young appeared on the Terrace in full Chinese rig from top to toe, including the detested queue. The loafers were staggered, for they were not near enough to detect the Britisher—I beg his pardon, the American—through the remarkably clever Chinese make-up. I wonder what yarn they took to their friends. Other Chinese bystanders, who were privileged to stand closer to the actor, grinned like fury and chattered like geese. The scene was enacted on one of the tennis lawns and, there being no pukka Chinese in it to hinder the artistes, I again had an opportunity of learning what a tremendous amount of expression the really high-class actor or actress can convey by a smile, a pose or a movement. To be sure, the characters were putting in appropriate gag (most of the time); but, even without it, the bearing of every one of them was sufficiently eloquent. Mr. Maurice Costello plays the "hero" to perfection; indeed, so popular is he with the picture-palace-going public that they object to him in any other role.

Trouble.

With the next scene the trouble began. The action was to take place in the Hankow Road, and the two chairs had to figure largely. The chairmen had no objection to their vehicles appearing in the picture, but were not disposed to lend their own handsome countenances. The company put this down to a mixture of supreme modesty and superstition, and thought me a little hard-hearted when I suggested that the whole bunch were probably already "wanted" by the police, and could hardly afford to have further publicity given to their lineaments. This, I fancy, was really the case; for, when told that they were to carry Mrs. Young and Mr. Costello, they refused point-blank; though, after one or two forcible hints, they intimated their willingness to do so—for double hire. This was not agreed to but they gave way, and then followed one or two interesting rehearsals, and, finally, the photographing. When the British and American public see those four sullen and villainous faces in the picture, they may understand why we in Hongkong are slow to regard the chair-coolies as "a man and a brother."

And More Trouble.

Then the scene in Haiphong Road. Once more the chairs were required, and once more the coolies rebelled. Here there was plenty of local colour for the camera, for some hundreds of Chinese were gathered round, and their presence seemed to act as a filip to the chairmen's courage; for this time they were firmer and fiercer than ever in their refusal to carry their two fares. A promise of cumshaw would not move them. When, through an English-speaking Chinese, we pointed out to them that they were under hire and were therefore breaking the law in refusing to work, they seemed slightly affected; two gave way eventually, but the other pair remained stubborn; and there were we the laughing-stock of a big mob of idlers. There was nothing for it but to invoke the majesty of the Law—in the shape of an undersized lunko who came "crawling like snail, unwillingly." The sight of him was enough, however; the coolies picked up the chairs and promptly did all that was required of them; took their fee and went off, without a word.

A glimpse into the mechanical side of the cinematograph is not altogether to be commended. It takes the gilt of "Henceforth when I see a picture show I shall be troubling my head about all sorts of mechanical details, and wondering if the beautiful heroine is really talking love-pidgin or is asking "Is my hat straight?" or "How will this do?" Ignorance is bliss where Chinese show, and the cinematograph is concerned.

THE SOLE SURVIVOR.

Only one of Junks Crew of 21 Saved.

A terrible story of the privations and suffering from exposure of a Chinese who was found in the open sea clinging desperately for his life to the bottom of a capsized junk has been brought to the Colony by those on board the s.s. Linan on its recent journey to Hongkong from Shanghai.

The Master of the s.s. Linan has reported having picked up a shipwrecked Chinese fisherman who was clinging to the bottom of his junk at 1.30 p.m. on the 5th inst. He was brought to Hongkong, and is the sole survivor of a crew of twenty one.

On board the s.s. Linan a collection was made for the unfortunate man, and the sum of \$20 was presented to him.

The story he told those on board was a touching one: His junk, he said, capsized at 4 a.m. on the 1st inst. and since then he had been exposed to hunger and cold until he was picked up. The remainder of the crew had perished.

D.C.L. PRACTICE PARADE

This morning the 2nd D.C.L. I's turned out for a practice parade. The battalion first paraded on the Murray Barracks ground, with band and in full accoutrements, and after passing through the usual evolutions, marched to the Happy Valley where a ceremonial parade was practised. We are informed that the Cornwells may parade on Paardeburg Day.

RAINFALL IN JANUARY.

The following table shows the rainfall, recorded day by day at the Botanic Gardens during January:—

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30th "	—
31st "	—
Total for month.	.87

THEATRE ROYAL

"Tribby" and "Sweet Lavender."

Mr. Alan Wilkie was at home in the part of Svengali on Wednesday night, when the company presented "Tribby" for the second time in the Colony. The part provided him with all the scope he required for his histrionic skill and the famous, self-opinionated, musician was never better portrayed. Miss Hunter-Watts was not quite so successful in the part of "Tribby" as we have seen her in others. Mr. Arthur Goodsell, as Gecko, the gossipy worshipping of the great psychic master, was particularly clever and worthy of special mention. Miss Nora Craigie played Madame Vinard to perfection and Mr. Phillip Gordon, as Alexander McAlister, was a distinct success. Others worthy of note were Mr. F. Stafford-Dawson as the Rev. Thomas Hagot, and Talbot Wynne who played the part of Taffy. "Sweet Lavender" was staged last night, and Finero's comedy was finely handled. Mr. Wilkie as Dick Phenyl was at his best, and Miss Hunter-Watts was a very charming "Sweet Lavender." These two made the play, though Mr. Weir and Mr. Gordon also deserve a warm word of praise.

CHINESE NEW YEAR.

Quiet Celebration in the Colony Yesterday.

The Chinese New Year celebrations passed off very quietly yesterday, and it is apparent that many of the Chinese are of a mind to accept the 1st of January as New Year's Day. The celebrations yesterday were, of course, much greater amongst the Chinese than was the case five weeks ago, but they were quieter than last year.

Judging from the facts that all shops were closed and that all work stopped, however, it appears that the holiday itself will die hard. Midnight saw the usual cracker firing but in nothing like the same degree as heretofore. Flags were flown from most houses and the plentiful display of various red paper insignia added quite a brilliant touch of colour to many drab buildings. The sampans and junks were decked in the old manner and no business was done, while—so hard does old custom die—even to-day only coal junks seemed to be at work along the Praya.

While the city streets were comparatively deserted, in some districts quite interesting remnants of old time customs were to be found. In Wanchai, in particular, two sets of enterprising youngsters had miniature dragon processions accompanied by the usual drum and cymbals, and followed by laughing crowds of holiday makers, whose merriment was heightened by the dragon's antics in endeavouring to capture a lettuce and an orange dangled from a housetop.

The fine weather was responsible for many excursions by Europeans into the hills, and many enjoyable picnics were held; the golf links of the island were well patronised and many branches of sport were fully indulged in.

There has been, of course, the usual hunt for curios during the past few days, and the stalls in Queen's Road have been well patronised.

We have been informed that during the last twenty four hours of the Chinese Old Year not a single case was brought to the West Point Police Station. This is a most remarkable occurrence. No report of serious crime has been received by the police during the holidays; a most satisfactory state of things.

A NEW-COMER'S IMPRESSIONS.

[Special Article.]

Pidgin English has had a very fair look in, this week.

Many a lengthy conversation has taken place in that wonderful language. The following is a fair sample. "How muchee this piece?" "This piece velly cheap. Twenty dollahs." "Too muchee. I give 5 dollahs." "5 dollahs!!! me lose at 5 dollahs. 5 dollahs!!! no can." "Come on! I'll give you five dollahs, and hurry up." "How muchee more? You speakee ploper plice and me makes bargain. How muchee more?" "No more. Five dollahs." "Ah, no can. Too cheap." "All right, ta-ta." "Hey! master, how muchee more? You give little more I give you cheap? Little more? Ten dollahs?" "No! five dollahs." "Ah, no can." "All right, keep it." "Master! Master! come back. Can do."

Many valuable and ancient Chinese curios were picked up during the last few days. At least, so many of my friends have assured me as they fondly displayed various articles gained only after much bidding and haggling. The value of these things seems to lie in their antiquity, and much time and labour have been expended in peering closely at brass and ivory work in the search after signs of age. One buyer's experience in this direction was a triple quaint. "How much this piece?" "5 dollahs." "Is it old?" "Yes very old." "Very old?" "Yes; many years old, many years." Article goes up considerably in buyer's estimation. "How old is it?" "Many years. About ten years old." The process commonly known as "being hoist with one's own petard," is often amusing to wit-

ness. An example occurred the other day. Every dweller in Hongkong has noticed the disagreeable habit Chinese have of throwing water and other things from the verandah on to the street. The scene was a stall in Queen's Road covered with pictures, calendars, and clothes. From above came a sudden deluge of dirty water, right on top of the commodities, displayed for sale. A sudden rush was made to rescue the drowning goods and to withdraw them to the haven provided by the pavement; but this was not accomplished without a fair drenching.

Presumably the articles would, later on, be offered at reduced prices as damaged goods.

Another stall near the fire station almost required the services of an engine. A long string of particularly venomous crackers was suspended across the road and suddenly lit. Pieces of flaming paper leapt in all directions, and some landed on the canvas covering of a stall. The canvas immediately commenced to smoulder and the occupier had perforce to mount on high and extinguish the incipient outbreak. It is a wonder that fires are not more common at this season than they are. Many fireworks are let off with an utter disregard of the surroundings or of the passers-by.

All sections of the community were in holiday mood these last few nights, and none more so than the Portuguese. Every here and there one encountered a bean elbowing his way manfully through the throng with his fair belle hanging trustingly on his protecting arm. The gallantry which many of these young bloods displayed in throwing nasty crackers on the ground behind inoffensive chair and ricksha coolies, was inspiring to witness.

When talking to a Chinese of the lower class it is always advisable to get to windward as soon as possible. The perfume of garlic is then wafted onwards away from one, and is only perceived when the wind tulls and allows a faint whiff to eddy backwards. But, during the "Kung he fat choy" celebrations, it was impossible to escape from the all pervading odour. If one stopped for a minute to admire some particularly handsome model of Buddha, the quiet enjoyment to be obtained from such calm contemplation was just a trifle ruffled when half a dozen garlicy breaths breathed incense on the back of one's neck. And even to-day the smell has not vanished, for the man who invented the composition of these fireworks, squibs and crackers must have known the Oriental's fondness for a little sauce. Have you noticed that the smell of the acrid, choking smoke you breathed all day yesterday was very much like the smell the wind has when it blows off a gang of coolies?

If Rudyard Kipling had only walked along Queen's Road on Wednesday night I wonder what he would have thought of his famous lines about East and West? "Never the twain shall meet?" They met all night on that night and, after being introduced, they seemed to like one another very much, for they fraternised as brothers, nay even fused together. To take one example; alongside a stall of mingled brasswork, woodwork and silk, stood one of these penny in the slot look-and-see machines. Gazing fondly into the eyes of this machine and slowly and rapturously turning the handle, was a Chinese in patent shoes, silk skirt and vest, and bowler hat! How these machines put one in mind of the towns in the homeland. And many of the stall keepers were reminiscent of Commercial Road as they shouted and bawled and displayed their wares as if they were full-fledged costermongers.

We all know that the Chinese is cute in very many ways. Therefore it was only with mild surprise that we watched a chemical experiment being performed very effectively by a miserable looking specimen in charge of a balloon factory. His apparatus consisted of a beer bottle, some strips of zinc and a little sulphuric acid. The zinc and sulphuric, mixed in the beer bottle produced hydrogen gas, and this was used to inflate small balloons.

Truly there is nothing new under the sun to the Chinese. H.M.



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Hongkong theatre-goers are promised a happy time shortly, for the Dallas Company, with all the latest London successes, are to open a season here on the 25th inst. This Company, which is headed by our old friend Mr. Henry Dallas, is being brought out by Mr. Maurice E. Bandmann, and we hear that it is an extremely talented one. Each of the numerous productions which the Company includes in its repertoire is being brought out in its entirety from London.

The Company will open with "Baby Mine," which is admitted to be an extremely funny farce, and which should on no account be missed, and their other plays will include "A Woman in the Case," "The Glad Eye," "What Every Woman Knows," "Charles's Aunt," "Bella Donna" and others yet to be announced.

The booking is with Moutrie's and we would advise our readers to secure their seats at the earliest possible moment.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

BOXING.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—With regard to Mr. Adair's letter to the "South China Morning Post," of the issue of the 5th inst., challenging Jack Cordell to a fistie encounter, with a side stake of \$800, I beg to state that if Mr. Adair will deposit that amount with the "Hongkong Telegraph," the money will at once be covered by the undersigned.

In so far as titles, etc., are concerned I do not wish to say anything with the exception that facts speak for themselves.

Yours etc.,
H. Kelly.

BOXING.

The Cordell-Grant Fight.

We have been informed that Jack Cordell, the American boxer now in Hongkong, who is the Champion middleweight of the Orient and the Pacific Coast, will definitely fight Seaman Grant at the City Hall on the 15th inst. For this occasion a championship programme is being arranged, the details of which will be announced on the completion of cable arrangements with the Manila champion.

Y.M.C.A. CHESS CLUB.

On Tuesday the first of team chess practice matches in connection with the Y.M.C.A. Chess Club resulted in a win for Mr. Piercy's team by a total of 6½ points to 2½. The scores were as follows:

Mr. Piercy's team:—Messrs. Leach O; H. Sykes, 1-2; O.A. Russ, 2; G. Piercy 2; and A. Vivas, 2.
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Not So Bad!

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Today's Advertisements

NOTICE.

A MITTWOCH, den 12ten Februar, 1913, abends 9.15 giebt die Besatzung S.M.S. "Taingtan" eine Abschiedsvorstellung in der City Hall. Alle Deutschen Hongkongs und deren Damen sind herzlich eingeladen.
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Destination.	Steamers	Sailing Dates.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, RAN, GOON & Cante.	ITOSA MARU Capt. T. Sato	T. 12,000 SATURDAY, 8th February.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	WAKASA MARU Capt. J. Nielsen	T. 12,500 WEDNESDAY, 12 Feb.
AMERICA &c.	SINABA MARU Capt. S. Tominga SHIDZUOKA MARU Capt. I. Iriawa	T. 12,500 T. 12,500 TUESDAY, 11th Feb. at Noon. TUESDAY, 25th Feb. at Noon.
EUROPE &c.	KAGA MARU Capt. G. Tabata ATSUTA MARU Capt. J. Nagao	T. 12,500 T. 16,000 WEDNESDAY, 12th Feb. at daylight. WEDNESDAY, 26th Feb. at daylight.
N'ZAKI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler	T. 9,800 WEDNESDAY, 13th Feb. at Noon.
AUSTRALIA &c.	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler	T. 9,800 WEDNESDAY, 12th March, at daylight.
KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	MIYASAKI MARU Capt. K. Soyeda	T. 16,000 THURSDAY, 13th Feb. 11 a.m.
BOMBAY, SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	ISANUKI MARU Capt. J. Richards	T. 12,500 MONDAY, 17th February.

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FOR EUROPE.

Steamer.	Tons displacement.	Leaving H.K.
Kaga Maru	12,500	12th February.
Atsuta Maru	16,000	26th February.
Hitachi Maru	13,000	12th March.
Miyasaki Maru	16,000	26th March.
Kisano Maru	16,000	9th April.
Iyo Maru	12,500	23rd April.
Hirano Maru	16,000	7th May.
Tango Maru	18,500	21st May.

FOR AMERICA.

Steamer.	Tons displacement.	Leaving H.K.
Inaba Maru	12,500	11th February.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	25th February.
Tamba Maru	12,500	11th March.
Awa Maru	12,500	25th March.
Sado Maru	12,500	4th April.
Yokohama Maru	12,500	22nd April.
Inaba Maru	12,500	6th May.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	20th May.

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For	STEAMERS.	To Sail.
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RUBI	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	SATURDAY, 15th Feb., 4 P.M.
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Steamer	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tillatop	1st half Feb.	JAPAN	1st half Feb.
Tijhoda	1st half Feb.	SHANGHAI	1st half Feb.
Tijmah	1st half Feb.	JAVA	1st half Feb.
Tijmanock	1st half Feb.	JAPAN	1st half Feb.
Tijpanas	2nd half Feb.	SHANGHAI	2nd half Feb.
Tijkini	2nd half Feb.	JAPAN	2nd half Feb.
Tijtaroom	1st half Mar.	JAPAN	1st half Mar.
Tijliwong	1st half Mar.	JAPAN	1st half Mar.

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Steamer Tons Captain Date of sailing
S.S. "Shinyo Maru" 22,000 H. S. Smith Feb. 11th, Noon.
S.S. "Chiyo Maru" 22,000 W. W. Greene Mar. 1st, Noon.
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Apr. 15 PERSIA	Apr. 17
May 18 CHINA	May 19

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LOG-BOOK.

Russian Ship-Building.

The Russian Ministerial Council has approved of the provisional plan for the regulation of the State expenditure for the first half-year of 1913, amounting to 1,492,527,086 roubles, and of the introduction of Bills making it obligatory that the crews of sailing ships engaged in the coasting trade of the Amur territory shall be composed solely of Russian subjects.
Novel German Car Ferryboat.
According to an American Consular report, an unusual type of ferryboat has just been completed for the port of Hamburg, and a sister ship is being constructed. The essential feature is a movable deck, with a lifting power sufficient to provide for an elevation of 16.4ft., with a load of six freight cars, three on each side. The vessel itself is of 470 tons gross measurement, and is 116.47ft. long, 50.85ft. in breadth, 12.46ft. deep. It has two triple expansion engines of 640 indicated horse power. The lifting of the deck is made possible by a high steel superstructure, on the top of which is the officers' bridge, from which point all the operations of loading, unloading, and navigation can be carried on. A ferry service of this character is now necessary because of the great expensiveness being made to the port of Hamburg.

Dairen Import Return for

December.

The import returns for the port of Dairen for the month of December last, as prepared by the S.M.R. Wharf Office, give a total of 50,549 tons, showing an increase of 5,800 tons over the preceding month. The following gives the returns for the last five years:—

The tonnages of import cargo follow:—

Year	Tons
1908 December	27,409
1909 "	29,293
1910 "	33,459
1911 "	33,520
1912 "	50,494

This increase is chiefly attributed to the great import of petroleum, etc., from America, and to the steady rise in the demand for manufactured goods, foodstuffs, etc., by the Japanese and Chinese residents in Manchuria.

The tonnages of import cargo follow:—

Commodity	Tons
Hardware	1,172
Rice	2,185
Liquors	1,276
Tobacco	743
Firewood and Charcoal	1,885
Fabrics	554
Porcelain	642
Matchboxes	794
Flour	6,134
Railway Sleepers	3,000
Empty Oil Cans	494
Machinery	953
Comestibles	7,078
Sugar	1,415
Cotton	482
Cotton Sheetings	1,886
Thread	539
Petroleum	10,118
Paper	1,284
Gunny Bags	1,349
Candles	570
Other Articles	6,027

The ports of shipment follow:—

From	Tons
Tokyo and Yokohama	940
Nagoya	561
Osaka	9,525
Kobe	7,082
Other Ports	431
Moji and Shimoda	5,738
Nagasaki	784
Ujina	345
Kushiro	3,003

From Chosen.

From	Tons
Chinnampo	740
Other Ports	876
Chamulpo	531

From China.

From	Tons
Chefoo	604
Foochow	850
Other Ports	199
Tsingtao	117
Shanghai	4,302

From Europe and America.

From	Tons
Liverpool	1,114
Antwerp	216
Others	69
Hamburg	232
New York	10,188

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For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:

O. J. D. AHLERS, 11th Feb.

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SUEVIA, 16th Feb.

SCHWABENBURG, 24th Feb.

SCANDIA, 10th March

SITHONIA, 22nd March

HOMEWARD.

For Marseilles, Bremen, H. & Antwerp:

S.S. GOLDENFELS, 10th Feb.

For Havre, Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg:

S.S. BRISGAVIA, 8th March

For Marseilles, Bremen & Hamburg:

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For Vancouver & Portland (Or.):

S.S. SITHONIA, 22nd March

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The S.S. "FULTA" 4,514 tons gross, Capt. H. W. Tallent, will be
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LOG BOOK.

Cape Town and the Shipping
Agreement.

The Cape Town Chamber of Commerce unanimously passed a resolution on January 9, strongly protesting against the new agreement between the shipowners and the merchants. The attention of the Government was directed in the resolution, with a view to the enforcement of the Post Office Act, to the reported threat of the shipping companies to exclude the cargo of shippers who did not sign the agreement.

Large Dredging Contract.
A large dredging contract has just been let by the Admiralty in connexion with the operations at Rosyth Naval Base. The successful contractors are Messrs. Topham, Jones, and Raiton (Limited), Westminster, and for the contract figure of £200,000 they have undertaken to dredge the entrance channel to the new docks. This involves the reclamation of 200 acres of ground between Rosyth Castle and the Ferry Toll.

The Alterations to the Olympic.
The work upon which Messrs. Harland and Wolff (Limited) have been engaged in increasing the safety of the White Star liner Olympic by the introduction of an inner skin, the increase in the number of watertight bulkheads, and the carrying of some of the bulkheads higher up in the ship is now well advanced, and the Olympic is advertised to leave from Southampton on April 2. Similar safeguards are being introduced into the new White Star triple-screw steamer Britannic, 50,000 tons, now in course of construction at Belfast, says the "Times."

Concerning the P. and O. and Cunard lines, the "London and China Express" of January 10 says: "There has been a revival of the rumour that a combination between the Cunard and Peninsular and Oriental Companies was in progress of formation, but there is the highest authority for saying that the story is an absolute fabrication. It will be

remembered that in the autumn a reciprocal arrangement was entered into by the two companies, whereby the Cunard Company became the agents of the P. and O. in the United States and the P. and O. became the agents for the Cunard in the Far East. This fact was recently brought out in the P. and O. official publications, and to it may not improbably be attributed the origin of this latest of many rumours. It is possible also that observers may have tried to deduce much from the fact that Mr. E. H. Cunard is a director of both companies, but Mr. Cunard has had a seat on the board of the P. and O. Company for many years in his private capacity.

Shipping and Freight. In 1912. We take the following from Messrs. H. E. Moss and Co.'s Steamship Circular:—The results of the year just passed, without doubt, have been for steamship owners in particular beyond the dreams of avarice, and though during the past few weeks there has been a marked set-back in freights, and a corresponding falling off in the demand for the purchase of ships, we are of opinion that it is only temporary, and that early this year freights will again improve, and though they may not reach the extraordinary level of last autumn, they will, we feel sure, satisfy the expectations of all concerned. It is easy to conceive that the reason for the recent decline in freights was brought about mainly by the present unsettled state of affairs in the Near East and the brief strike on the North-Eastern Railway at Newcastle, which latter, though only of a week's duration, dislocated business, and threw tonnage on many markets quite unexpectedly. Trade at home and abroad never was better. In America it is on the upward grade, and likely to still greatly improve, which will reflect on Europe and help to absorb the large amount of tonnage building, which to a great extent consists mostly of liners and tankers, in the delivery of which many builders have been very late through the difficulty in obtaining material and the scarcity of skill-

ed-labour. These facts, together with the approaching opening of the Panama Canal, cause us to take the hopeful views we have expressed. The amount of tonnage launched last year in the United Kingdom will prove to be about 2,000,000 tons, and we should not be surprised if these figures are not exceeded when the returns for 1913 are known. Such, however, has been the extraordinary increase in the requirements of the world that the new tonnage built last year has all been quietly absorbed, and for some time to come that under construction, we anticipate will be similarly disposed of. With very few exceptions, builders are "full of orders for all this year, and many well into 1914. Prices for building new steamers have, during the past two years, continued to advance, and are likely to be higher, as we anticipate a still further increase in the cost of production. Steamers of 7,500 tons deadweight, which cost £28,000 to £40,000 two years ago, would now cost about £50,000, so that the advance may be computed on new shipping at about 40 per cent. within two years, and with the large amount of naval work about to be placed, we do not see any prospect of a marked reduc-

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European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Pembrokehire	J. M. & Co.	7 Feb., about
London via Usual Ports of Call	Himalaya	P. & O. Co.	15 February
London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Sardania	P. & O. Co.	19 Feb., about
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Brigavia	H. A. L.	8 March
do do do	O. J. D. Ahlers	H. A. L.	16 March
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Dunerie	Bank Line	End of February
Marseilles	Goldenfels	H. A. L.	10 February
Marseilles, London & Antwerp via S'pore, &c.	Kaga Maru	N. Y. K.	12 February
Marseilles, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Belgravia	H. A. L.	15 March
Trieste, &c.	Bohemia	S. W. & Co.	13 February
Trieste, Fiume, Venice via Singapore, &c.	Vervwaerts	S. W. & Co.	10 Feb., about
Naples, Genoa, Algiers, Gibraltar, S'ton, Manila	Bremen	M. & Co.	19 February
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Buyo Maru	T. K. K.	23 April

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston & New York via Ports & Suez Canal	Indradeo	S. T. & Co.	26 Feb. about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	11 February
do do do do do	Persia	P. M. Co.	18 February
do do do do do	China	P. M. Co.	25 February
New York via Suez Canal	Indrawadi	J. M. & Co.	15 February
Vicoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Inaba Maru	N. Y. K.	11 February
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Japan, &c.	Chicago Maru	O. S. K.	20 February
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Shanghai, &c.	Canada Maru	O. S. K.	5 March
Vancouver	Monteagle	C. P. R. Co.	8 March
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of Japan	C. P. R. Co.	8 February
Vancouver B.C., and Portland (Or.)	Sithonia	H. A. L.	23 March

Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	12 February
do do do	Prinz Sigismund	M. & Co.	22 February
do do do	Empire	G. L. & Co.	1 March

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroen	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjinhai	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Fooksang	J. M. & Co.	8 February
do do do	Arratoon Apar.	D. S. & Co.	12 February
Singapore, Penang and Rangoon	Fulala	J. M. & Co.	9 February
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Tosa Maru	N. Y. K.	8 February
Bombay via Singapore & Colombo	Sauki Maru	N. Y. K.	17 February
Japan	Tjiliwang	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kobe and Moji	Yatsushiro	J. M. & Co.	6 February
do do do	Gregory Apar.	D. S. & Co.	21 February
do do do	Torilla	D. S. & Co.	21 February
Kobe and Yokohama	Miyasaki Maru	N. Y. K.	13 February
do do do	Prinz Waldemar	M. & Co.	4 March, about
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	12 February
Yokohama and Kobe	Quilloa	J. M. & Co.	11 February
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	Austria	S. W. & Co.	2 March, about
Chinwantao	Onsang	J. M. & Co.	8 February
Hoihow and Haiphong	Sungkiang	B. & S.	8 February
Kwang-chow-wang and Haiphong	Si-Kiang	M. M. Co.	12 February
Lamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daigi Maru	O. S. K.	9 February
Amoy and Foochow	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	12 February
Amoy, Ni-gpo and Shanghai	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	8 February
Swatow	Kalgan	B. & S.	9 February
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haimun	D. L. & Co.	9 February
do do do	Haitan	D. L. & Co.	11 February
do do do	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	14 February
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. & Co.	8 February
do do do	Yuensang	J. M. & Co.	15 February
Manila, Mangarin, Nolo and Cebu	Taisang	J. M. & Co.	15 February
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	7 Feb., about
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Namur	P. & O. Co.	14 February
do do do	Thongwa	J. M. & Co.	8 February
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Namsang	H. A. L.	11 February
do do do	O. J. D. Ahlers	H. A. L.	10 Feb., about
do do do	Den of Crombie	J. M. & Co.	10 Feb., about
do do do	Paul Leat	M. M. Co.	10 February
Shanghai, Tsingtau, Kobe and Yokohama	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	12 February
Shanghai	Derflinger	M. & Co.	7 February
do do do	Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
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To Sail

Hongkong-New York.



AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. CO.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

HONGKONG-NEW YORK

(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast)

British S.S. "INDRADEO"

on or about 24th February, 1913.

For freight and further information, apply to—

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General Agents.

Hongkong, 27th Jan., 1913.

In the cost of building new ships for some time to come.

Many far-seeing owners who con-

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Hongkong, 28th Jan., 1913.

cases much more. The

prices obtained for second-hand

tonnage have increased propo-

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sales made in 1912 has been

beyond record. The principal

features of the past year have

been the realisation of the great

demand for oil fuel, which, with

the coming of the internal combus-

tion engine, bid fair to revolu-

tionise, before many years are

past, the present mode of steam

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MOVEMENTS OF
STEAMERS.VESSELS ADVISED TO
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For	Vessel
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Macao, Sui Tai.	
Philippines, Loongsang.	

VESSELS ADVISED TO
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From	Vessels
Saigon, Phuyen.	
Singapore, Atholl.	
London, Den of Crombie.	
Moji, Laisang.	
Shanghai, Kwongsang.	

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. s.s. China, sailed from San Francisco on the 17th ult., for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Japan Ports and Manila.

The P. M. s.s. Manchuria, left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, the usual Japan Ports and Manila on the 23rd ult.

The P. M. s.s. Siberia, carrying the American mail left Yokohama for this port via Manila on the 28th ult., between 10 a.m. and noon.

The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyo Maru, left San Francisco for Hongkong via usual ports of call and Manila on the 1st inst., and may be expected here on the 4th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru, leaves Honolulu for San Francisco on the 1st inst., where she is due to arrive on the 7th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Tenyo Maru, left Yokohama for Honolulu on the 27th ult., and is due at San Francisco on the 13th inst.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. s.s. Monteagle, left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong via usual ports of call on the 27th ult., at a.m.

The C. P. R. s.s. Empress of India, arrived at Vancouver, B.C., on the 31st ult., at 6 p.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. s.s. Aldenham, left Sydney on the 15th ult., for this port, via Queensland ports and Manila.

The E. and A. s.s. Empire, left Sydney on the 20th ult., for this port, via Queensland ports, Timor and Manila.

FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. s.s. Magellan, with the outward French mail will leave for Europe on the 11th inst., at 1 p.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Mogul Lines s.s. Ghazee left United Kingdom on the 26th Jan., for the Far East via Straits.

The Mogul Lines s.s. Atholl left Singapore for Hongkong on the 1st Feb., and is due here on the 8th inst.

The P. & O. s.s. Namur left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst., at 6 p.m. and is due here on the 9th inst., at 8 a.m.

The E. & A. s.s. Empire from Sydney, etc. left Port Darwin on the 2nd inst., for this port via Timor and Manila.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. Laisang from Moji, is due at Hongkong on the 8th inst.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. Kwongsang from Shanghai, is due at Hongkong on the 8th inst.

The Shire Line s.s. Den of Crombie, from London, is due at Hongkong on the 8th inst. She left Singapore on the 1st ult.

The B. I. S. N. s.s. Quilloa, from Moji, is due at Hongkong on the 11th inst.

The B. I. S. N. s.s. Fulsals from Moji, is due at Hongkong on the 8th inst.

The French s.s. Phuyen, left Saigon on the 4th inst., for this port, and is due to arrive here on the 8th inst.

The s.s. A. Apar from Kobe left Moji on the 5th inst., morning, and may be expected here on the 10th inst., a.m.

The P. M. s.s. Mongolia arrived at San Francisco on the 4th inst. The R.V.F. s.s. Kostroma left Singapore on the 3rd inst., p.m., and is expected to arrive in Hongkong on the 9th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Buyo Maru, left Manila for Honolulu on the 28th ult., and is due in Hongkong on the 20th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. Hongkong Maru left Callao for Iquique and Valparaiso on the 29th ult.

The s.s. Glenfarg, passed the Suez Canal on the 24th ult., for Hongkong via Straits.

The R. V. F. s.s. Kostroma, left Colombo on the 27th ult., and is expected to arrive in Hongkong on the 10th inst.

The R. V. F. s.s. Yaroslav, left Colombo on the 28th ult., and is expected to arrive in Hongkong on the 11th inst.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Canton, Aust. s.s. 2,080, Renstron, 5th Feb.—Vladivostok 27th Jan.—Gen.—A. N. Co.

Cheongshing, Br. s.s. 1,909, Liddell, 29th Jan.—Bangkok 20th Jan.—Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s. 899, Somakawa, 5th Feb.—Swatow 4th Feb.—Gen.—O. S. K.

Empress of Japan, Br. s.s. 3,037, S. Robinson, R.N.R., 18th Jan.—Vancouver, B.C. 26th Dec.—Mail and Gen.—O. P. R. Co.

Fooksang, Br. s.s. Mitchell, 1st Feb.—Moji 27th Jan.—Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Faiching, Br. s.s. 1,267, Passmore, 5th Feb.—Fookchow, Amoy and Swatow 4th Feb.—Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Hanyang, Br. s.s. 1,407, Cogan, 5th Feb.—Saigon, 1st Feb.—Rice.—B. & S.

Hongwan I, Br. s.s. 2,060, Nason, 5th Feb.—Amoy and Swatow 4th Feb.—Ballast—Chinese.

Locksun, Ger. s.s. 1,021, W. Taubert, 2nd Feb.—Bangkok 22nd Jan.—Ballast.—B. & S.

Inaba Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,837, Tomomaga, 3rd Feb.—Shanghai 31st Jan.—Flour.—N. Y. K.

Kalgan, Br. s.s. 1,242, Cowan, 1st Feb.—Dahly and (Hefco) 27th Jan.—Gen.—B. & S.

Keong Wai, Ger. s.s. 1,115, F. Kohler, 4th Feb.—Bangkok 25th Jan.—Teak.—Nord Lloyd.

Kjeld, Nor. s.s. 1,448, T. Hellesø, 4th Feb.—Saigon 25th Jan.—Rice.—S. W. & Co.

Ningpo, Br. s.s. 1,228, Pickard, 4th Feb.—Fookchow 24th Jan.—Sugar.—B. & S.

Consignees

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"NANSANG"

having arrived from the above Ports
Consignees of cargo by her are hereby
informed that their goods will be de-
livered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or
remaining on board after 4 p.m. the
7th inst., will be landed at Consignees'
risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned

JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th Feb., 1913. [155]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

From CALCUTTA, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"YATSHING"

having arrived from the above Ports
Consignees of cargo by her are hereby
informed that their goods will be de-
livered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or
remaining on board after 4 p.m. the 5th
inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk
and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned

JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.
General Managers.

Hongkong 4th Feb., 1913. [151]

AMERICAN-ASIATIC S.S. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"INVEROLYDE"

Captain D. Mansfield, having arrived
from the above Port, Consignees of
Cargo are hereby informed that their
goods are being landed at their risk
into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
goods are to be left in the godowns,
where they will be examined on
WEDNESDAY, 12th inst., at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within
fifteen days of the steamer's arrival
here, after which date they cannot be
recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
15th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th Feb., 1913. [156]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL
LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ SIGISMUND"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods, with
the exception of Opium, Treasure and
Valuables, are being landed and stored
at their risk into the Godowns and/or
extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company, Limited, Kowloon, and
West Point Godown, where delivery
may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded
on inland navigation to be received from the
Consignees before noon to-day request-
ing it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
10th inst., 1913, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the 10th
of Feb., at 9:30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the
17th of Feb., 1913, or they will not be
recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD

MEMBERS & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th Feb., 1913. [156]

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The Career of Beauty Darling, by Doll Wyllie, \$1.75.
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NEW GENERAL LITERATURE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
Recent Events and Present Policies in China, by J.O.P. Bland \$12.80.
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d'Aethan \$5.60.

CANCER, THE PROBLEM OF ITS GENESIS AND TREATMENT,
by F. W. Forbes Ross, \$4.00.

Can Germany invade England? by Colonel H. B. Hanna 80 cents.

ADVENTURES OF WAR WITH CROSS AND CRESCENT, by
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Its Cause and Cure.

Few ailments are more painful and
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is so prevalent just now.

This complaint always means that
the sufferer has inhaled germs—
particles of vegetable life so ex-
tremely minute that, when seen
through the microscope, they look
like little specks, as shown in the
above disc.

The quickest and most thorough
way of killing these germs is to suck
a few Formamint Tablets. The
pain and swelling rapidly diminish,
the mouth and throat feel thoroughly
clean and refreshed, and in a short
time the Sore Throat is cured.

Formamint is just as effective, too,
as a preventive of Sore Throat and
of much more dangerous epidemic
diseases like Diphtheria, Consump-
tion of the Lungs, Scarlet Fever,
and Measles.

Praised by 7,000 Physicians.

Wulff's Formamint Tablets are
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since I began to use Formamint,
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before."

Formamint is habitually used by
well-known people like the Right
Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, M.P., Lord
Justice Buckley, and Sir Gilbert
Parker, M.P. To take only a few
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"I have been using Formamint for
Sore Throat with most satisfactory
results."

Signor Caruso, the world-
famous tenor, writes: "I have found
Wulff's Formamint Tablets very
beneficial to the throat and pleasant
to the taste." The Bishop of Bath
and Wells writes: "Wulff's For-
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this house."

Such eminent people would not
allow their names to be published if
they had not proved the efficacy
of Formamint. Their names are a
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your while to try Formamint, which
can be obtained of all Chemists, and
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Copy of a valuable Handbook on
Sore Throat, Diphtheria, etc., written
by a London physician.

Only a limited number of copies
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THE GENTLEMEN'S HOUSE.

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CLOSING DAY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH.

YOUR LAST CHANCE.

In order to avoid putting back into Stock Goods
which have been on show during the sale we are making
the following

SWEEPING REDUCTIONS.

AERTEX CELLULAR SHIRTS	\$1.90 each
STRAW HATS	1.00 "
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The above are only a few of the

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COMMERCIAL.

Review of the Tea Industry
During 1912.

Messrs. Brooke Bond and Co.,
Limited, of Goulston-street,
Alfington, East, in their review of
the tea industry for 1912, say:—

"In glancing at our review of a
year ago, we find that common
Indian Pekoe was then
selling at 84 per pound; to-day
its value is 6d. All producing
countries, except China, have
sent more tea to market; no doubt
stimulated by the excellent
prices given for their previous
crops, but this year a heavier
proportion of poor tea has been
sent, so much so that, while
common grades have steadily
depreciated in value, there has
been a continuous rise in finer
sorts. As can easily be deduced
from the above facts, the planter
who manufactures poor grade tea
has seen profits decline heavily;
but he is still comfortably pro-
sperous. The grower of medium
tea has also to be content with
rather lower, but still hand-
some, profits, while the prices
obtained for fine teas are highly
remunerative. On the whole,
therefore, the planting industry
can be described as being in a
healthy and flourishing condi-
tion. The distributor is probably
making increased profits, being
able to buy the bulk of his re-
quirements at lower prices, while
so far very little has been done
in the way of making a cut in the
retail price. The keen rivalry of
the public has made very substan-
tial progress, the direct exports from

however, and the consumer is
obtaining his tea at a margin of
profit which only a few years
ago would have been con-
sidered ruinous. The consump-
tion of tea in the country has
little more than remained
steady, and, allowing for the
normal increase in the population,
the per capita consumption is
probably a fraction lower. Many
plausible reasons for this check-
on tea have been put forward,
but it is probable that the for-
eign and domestic advertising of
other beverages is having effect, and the
clearances of this article show
a marked decline. Turning to
the quantity of Java tea imported, 1912
figures show a very substantial pro-
gress, the direct exports from

India for the season to date show-
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RULE OF THE RUFFIAN.

Tragedies of Low Life.

Suchien, North Ku, Jan. 22.

The estimate that the world
gets of things Chinese is often
very different from the sum total
of life as seen by three-fourths of
the people in this part of China.
Those who write of prevailing
conditions refrain from reporting
the monotonous stories of cruelty,
murder, kidnapping for ransom,
robbery with violence, girl abduc-
tion, fruitless vigils and anxieties
cloud the horizon of a sordid
existence, till one almost wonders

In November a French priest at
Pichow acted as middleman to
guarantee the safety of more than
a hundred of these desperadoes
who gave up their arms and be-
came loyal (?) soldiers. It seems
that some guarantee was needed.
In the middle of January about
twenty desperadoes were induced
to go to Kuashu, a neighbouring
town, and sign on as loyal soldiers.
After they had stacked arms they
were overpowered and bound and
started off to the Szechuan city. The
escort, however, was frightened
and brought them back to Kuashu.
So

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

Hongkong v. the United Services.
A very interesting all day match was played yesterday on the Hongkong ground, between the Hongkong C. O. and the United Services, resulting in a good win for the home team, who in the first innings put up 320 runs as against their opponents 167 in the first innings and 137 in the second.

The score for the Hongkong Club, was greatly aided by the contributions of Pearce, 82, A. A. Claxton 52, and R. P. Thurfild 43, all of whom set about the bowling in fine style. Pearce, in particular, played a fine innings, full of good hard hitting.

For the United Services, Capt. Crawford did well with 63 in the first innings, and R. E. O. Bird, bowling for Hongkong, captured 4 wickets for 49 runs which was the best average of the match.

The scores were:
United Services.
Capt. Crawford c R. Hancock b Warburton ... 2
Capt. Gainsford c Pearce b Bird ... 53
Eng. Lt. Smith R. N. c R. Hancock b Warburton ... 5
Capt. Robertson c Lloyd b Bird ... 1
Lt. Parke c and b Anderson ... 41
Mid Oliver c Lloyd b Bird ... 14
Major Bowen b Bird ... 22
Lt. Matthews c R. Hancock b Bird ... 4
Lt. Batson c Hancock ... 2
Lt. Christian not out ... 1
Lt. White c Claxton b Bird ... 10
Extras ... 12
Total ... 167

Bowling.
Warburton ... 11 4 25 2
R. E. O. Bird, 22.3 9 49 6
R. N. Anderson, 0 0 44 1
S. H. Dodwell, 9 2 32 0
R. Hancock, 3 0 5 1
Hongkong C.O.
T. E. Pearce c Bowen, b Gainsford ... 82
A. O. E. Elborough c Matthews, b Batson ... 35
W. O. Turner c Crawford b Bowen ... 14
R. Hancock b Batson ... 14
A. A. Claxton c Parke, b Matthews ... 52
B. N. Anderson run out ... 18
34
J. S. Lloyd c Batson, b Parke 29
S. H. Dodwell c and b Bowen 4
W. E. Warburton c Batson, b Bowen ... 0
R. P. Thurfild c Crawford, b Gainsford ... 43
R. E. O. Bird not out ... 15
Extras ... 18
Total ... 326

Bowling.
Christian ... 12 2 45 0
White ... 5 1 41 0
Batson ... 18 2 69 2
Bowen ... 15 2 82 3
Gainsford ... 6.5 1 31 2
Matthews ... 5 1 29 1
Parke ... 4 1 14 1
United Services 2nd Innings.
Capt. Gainsford c Pearce, b Bird ... 1
Eng. Lt. Smith b Bird ... 4
Capt. Robertson c Pearce, b Bird ... 10
Mid Oliver stpd Claxton b Warburton ... 1
Lt. Parke c Turner, b Anderson ... 16
Capt. Crawford c Thurfild b Anderson ... 58

Major Bowen c Hancock b Anderson ... 0
Lt. Matthews l.b.w. Anderson ... 27
Lt. Batson not out ... 13
Lt. White c Hancock b Anderson ... 0
Lt. Christian absent ... 0
Extras ... 7
Total ... 137

Bowling.
R. E. O. Bird ... 10 1 46 3
W. E. Warburton ... 5 1 18 1
Anderson ... 6.5 1 51 5
Dodwell ... 2 1 15 1

FOOTBALL.

The Interport Match Result.

The Hongkong Interport Football team, chosen to do duty at Shanghai, was defeated yesterday by Shanghai, the result was Shanghai 2, Hongkong, and the score suggests that the game was a close and well contested one.

A WINTER HOLIDAY.

Mr. Friesland's lecture on Switzerland.

Under the auspices of the German Church and School Society, a most interesting lecture on Switzerland was given at the Club Germania on Wednesday night by Mr. G. Friesland. There was a large attendance, which included His Excellency the Governor and Lady May, and the German and Austrian Consuls and their wives. The lecture was illustrated by some forty lantern views from photographs taken by Mr. Friesland himself.

Mr. Friesland, in the course of his lecture, pointed out that his chief aim was to indicate to those who might have to spend a winter in Europe the best way of recuperating from the effects of the Eastern climate. He explained that it was a fallacy nowadays to regard a winter spent in the West as being an unpleasant experience, and pointed out that the winter was really the best time to indulge in outdoor sports. The best place for such sports was undoubtedly the Engadin Valley in Switzerland, and especially in St. Moritz, which was the most popular winter sport resort in the world. Here the sports of all nations could be indulged in. The air was so dry and the sun so powerful that, though it was cold in the evening, the day itself was ideal for all forms of sport.

Among the sports which the lecturer mentioned as being most popular were bobbleleighing and skeleton-sliding, skiing and ski-touring, skating and skating with sails, hockey on the ice, etc. Mr. Friesland stated that the hotels were quite as luxurious as any in London or Berlin—in fact they were simply palatial—and there were also numerous private boarding houses where visitors could live quite cheaply, say from 12 to 14 francs a day; while the hotel charges were 20 to 30 francs daily. It was explained that the best time to visit this centre is from the middle of December to the end of February, and Mr. Friesland stated that during the three months of winter at least 70 days of clear, sunshiny weather could be reckoned on.

POST OFFICE.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London ... 18
Jan. 17 ... 18
Left Shanghai ... 17
Feb. 3 ... 17

MAILS DUE.

French, Paul Lecat, 10th inst.
The Paul Lecat with the French Mail is expected to arrive here on Monday the 10th inst.

MAILS CLOSE.

Bohow, Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Sungkiang, 8th Feb., 9 a.m.
Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Fooksang, 8th Feb., 11 a.m.

Straits and Ceylon—Per Pembroke, 8th Feb., 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per Loong, 8th Feb., 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 8th Feb., 1.15 p.m.
Amoy and Foochow—Per Hai-ching, 8th Feb., 5 p.m.

Amoy, Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Kalgan, 8th Feb., 5 p.m.
Bohow, Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Sungkiang, 8th Feb., 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe—Per Namsang, 8th Feb., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 9th Feb., 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow via Tamsui—Per Daigmaru, 9th Feb., 9 a.m.

Straits and Burma—Per Fultala, 10th Feb., 11 a.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 10th Feb., 1.15.

Batavia, Semarang and Sourabaya—Per Tjimahi, 10th Feb., 4 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe (Europe via Siberia)—Per Paul Lecat, 10th Feb., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haitan, 11th Feb., 9 a.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per Tjilatjap, 11th Feb., 10 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marselles (Late Letters 11 to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—Magellan, 11th Feb., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and South America via San Francisco (Europe via Siberia)—Per Shinyo-maru, 11th Feb., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 11th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Kwongsang, 11th Feb., 5 p.m.

Fort Bayard, Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Si-kiang, 12th Feb., 8 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 12th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per Quiloa, 13th Feb., 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 14th Feb., 9 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per A. Apcar, 14th Feb., 2 p.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 14th inst., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 15th Feb., 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Talsang, 15th Feb., 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Rubi, 15th Feb., 3 p.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Naples—Per Bremen, 15th Feb., 9 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Benvenue, Br. s.s. 2,505, Kroble, 5th Feb.—Singapore 26th Jan., Gen.—C. & Co.
Hopsang, Br. s.s. 1,302, Hay, 5th Feb.—Bangkok 28th Jan., Rice.—J. M. & Co.

Paklat, Ger. s.s. 1,018, Wenzel, 5th Feb.—Bangkok 28th Jan., Rice.—B. & S.
Derwent, Ger. s.s. 1,562, Jensen, 5th Feb.—Tegah via P. Laut 28th Jan., Fugar, Chinese.

Haimun, Br. s.s. 641, Evans, 6th Feb.—Swatow 5th Feb., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Hanoi, Fr. s.s. 729, Marguerite, 6th Feb.—Haiphong 4th Feb., Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Linan, Br. s.s. 1,356, Williams, 6th Feb.—Shanghai 2nd Feb., Gen.—B. & S.
Tranquebar, Dan. s.s. 2,227, H. Kruse, 7th Feb.—Singapore 27th Jan., Gen.—M. & Co.

Derflinger, Ger. s.s. 5,148, Prosch, 7th Feb.—Bremenshaven 25th Dec., Mail and Gen.—M. & Co.
Drufar, Nor. s.s. 1,102, Bing, 7th Feb.—Bangkok and Swatow 6th Feb., Gen.—Kin Lye Long.

OLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Feb. 5.
Canton, for Port Said.
Pheumphen, for Saigon.
Waishing, for Saigon.
Kaifong, for Haioi.

Feb. 7.
Benvenue, for Yokohama.
Sabine Rickmers, for Haiphong.
Elax, for Shanghai.
Onsang, for Chinwantao.
Daito-maru, for Canton.
Shansi, for Port Courbet.
Inverlyde, for Yokohama.
Kuikiang, for Canton.
Linan, for Canton.
Derflinger, for Yokohama.
Tranquebar, for Yokohama.

DEPARTED.
Feb. 6.
Kaifong, for Philippine Islands.
Feb. 7.
Chenan, for Shanghai.
Volute, for Palembang.
Tamon-maru, for Milke.
Yatsing, for Japan.
Inverlyde, for Kobe.
Per s.s. Benvenue, arrived 5th inst., from Singapore.—Harrower, W.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.
Per s.s. Hanoi, arrived 6th inst., from Haiphong:—Bazin, Gulrant, Mr. & Conner, Mrs. Belhall.
Per s.s. Linan, arrived 6th inst., from Shanghai:—Brailford, Yung, Mr. and Leoman.

Per s.s. Derflinger, arrived 7th inst., from Genoa, &c.:—Albers, F. Forely, E. L. Beng, Dr. Otto, A. Beng, Dr. Reid, Mrs. Hope, J. E. Tolu, C. A. Hicks, Mr. & Mrs. Vogel, A. F. N. Jacobs, Mr. and Watson, Mrs. Mrs. O. B. Warren, A. G. Ka-fang, Mrs. Wenzel, H. Kahemann, T. Watson, Mrs. Kert, Dr. F. Wang Wal Lemper, A. Yun Chin Modn, F. Ziegler, F. L. Ziehr, H.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.
Per s.s. Korea, sailed on 4th inst., for San Francisco, &c.:—Bryer, Dr. & Mrs. McCullough, E. F. B. Baugh, W. H. McGregor, N. Brooks, C. O. G. Bartolome, L. S. Mukhehli, J. D. Brown, Miss J. Prior, A. W. Dringlers, Mrs. Reichard, Dr. M. S. Reauregod, Com. to Cotta de Baugh, Miss L. Campbell, A. Connell, J. J. Curry, H. B. Chung, Ching Sang, Dr. Dorne, Mrs. M. Stahl, Miss A. Drinkwater, W. Shun Sui-man, Egan, Mr. & Mrs. Solomon, H. H. Frederick, Mrs. Simington, Mrs. J. C. I. Francisco, D. M. Simington, Miss Fabig, H. E. Scott, J. H. Finney, Miss D. Silva, P. M. N. Graham, Chas. Sutherland, J. A. Grayson, Miss Simington, M. E. Thornhill, Master Ter N. K. Thompson, Mrs. G. Gallagher, W. H. Taylor, Mr. and Hung Kwei-low, Mrs. W. F. H. B. Dr. P. A. Taylor, Dr. W. Dodge, Miss Uchida, S. Lodenkamper, Waldron, F. M. Waterhouse.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 7th at 11.15.—A depression which formed over Japan yesterday has moved to the E. of Hokkaido.
An anticyclone remains stationary over China.
Pressure has increased slightly over Formosa and the Loochoos. It is nearly stationary over the Philippines and Indo-China.

Moderate monsoon is indicated along the E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT 10 A.M. TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood } fresh to moderate; fair.
2 Formosa Channel } N.E. gale.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamooks } The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan } The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
7th February, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

Wostock 7a.30.22 56.0 nne 1 b
Nemuro 6a.29.71 nne 3
Hakodate 29.85 w 4
Tokio 29.85 nw 1
Kochi 30.13 sw 1
Nagasaki 30.01 n 4
K'shima 30.25 nw 3
Oshima 30.22 n 5
Naha 30.25 nne 5
Ishijima 30.27 ne 6
Bonin Is. 30.45 21.100 sew 2 b
Chefoo 30.45 21.100 sew 2 b

Hankow 30.47 26 n 1 b
Ichang 30.33 34 n 2 ov
Kiukiang 30.47 26 n 1 b
Changsha 30.33 34 n 2 ov
Shanghai 30.47 26 n 1 b
Gutzlaff 30.33 34 n 2 ov
Sharp P. 7a.30.23 57 e 3 c
Amoy 6a.30.29 53 67 e 2 c
Swatow 30.29 52 86 nne 1 b
Taihoku 5a.30.30 ne 6
Taichu 30.21 ne 2
Tainan 30.20 n 6
Koshun 30.16 ne 10
P'dores 30.16 ne 10
Canton 9a.30.28 59 65 ne 1 o
H'kong 6a.30.24 58 78 e 4 o
Gap Rook 30.19 ene 5 o
Macao 30.21 59 ene 2 o
Wuchow 9a.30.30 59 e 2 c
Pakhoi 30.17 59 e 2 c
Hohow 30.17 59 e 2 c
Phuilen 6a.30.17 59 ne 3 o
Tourane 30.12 66 nw 2 o
C. St. J. 29.98 70 ene 3 f
Apari 30.07 72 e 1 d
Manila 30.00 72 e 0 c
Legaspi 29.99 75 e 0 c
Iloilo 9a.29.95 80 ne 1 b
Bacolod 29.98 81 nw 1 c
Cebu 29.98 81 e 1 c
Labuan 29.87 83 e 1 c

T. F. Claxton, Director.
Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 7.
1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4 Direction of Wind, to two points.
5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.
6 State of Weather, b blue sky, o detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.
8 Rain, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

METEOROLOGICAL.
Previous Day On Date On Date
Barometer 30.06 30.16 30.18
Temperature 72 73 65
Humidity 62 79 71
Wind Direction } W E ESE
Force 2 3 3
Weather b b b
Rain Highest open air Temperature on the 24 hours lowest
H.K. Observatory, 6th Feb., 1913.
T. F. Claxton, Director.

TIDE TABLE.
Feb. 1st to 7th Feb., 1913.

High Water Low Water
Mean Time Mean Time
Sat. 2 41 4.0 10 17.0
Sun. 2 41 4.0 10 17.0
Mon. 2 41 4.0 10 17.0
Tue. 2 41 4.0 10 17.0
Wed. 2 41 4.0 10 17.0
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KUDAT & SANDAKAN { BORNEO } To sail on }
SHANGHAI, TSING- } Capt. F. Sambill } End of }
TAU, KOBE and } DERFLINGER } February }
YOKOHAMA } Capt. F. Prosch } 27,000 } FRIDAY, }
NAPLES, GENOA } BREMEN } 7th Feb. }
ALGERS, GIBRA, } Capt. B. Wilhelm } 20,800 } WEDNESDAY, }
TAR, SOUTHAMPTON, } PRINZ SIGISMUND } 22nd Feb. }
ANTWERP & BREMEN } Capt. D. Leuz } 6,000 } at 9 a.m. }
MANILA, YAP, }
MARONN, NEW- }
GUINEA, BRISBANE, }
SNEY & M'BOURNE, }
PRINZ WALDEMAR }
Capt. H. Bremer } 6,100 } About }
Kobe and YOKOHAMA } TUESDAY }
Capt. H. Bremer } 4th March }

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